

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of making a carpet comprising the steps of:

(a) providing a primary backing material having a front side and a back side,

(b) tufting a yarn into the primary backing material to produce a carpet pile on the front side of the primary backing material and loops of the yarn on the back side of the primary backing material,

(c) ~~slot coating~~ applying a layer of a first ~~melted~~ molten, fluid coating composition by pumping the first molten composition through a slot die, the first molten composition comprising a first tackifying resin, onto the back side of the tufted primary backing material,

(d) ~~slot coating~~ applying a layer of a second ~~melted~~ molten, fluid coating composition by pumping the second molten composition through a die, the second molten composition comprising a second tackifying resin onto the coating applied in step (c) thereby fixing the loops of the yarn to the primary backing material, and

(e) applying and pressing a secondary backing onto the slot coated tackifying resin layers and pressing to join the first and second tackifying resins and the primary backing and secondary backing and yarn loops together to form a carpet.

2. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 wherein the first coating composition also comprises a hot melt adhesive resin.

3. (Original) The method according to claim 1 wherein between about 2 to about 12 ounces per square yard of the first coating composition is applied to the primary backing material.

4. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 2 wherein the second coating composition comprises up to 80% by weight of a second tackifying resin and a hot melt adhesive.

5. (Original) The method according to claim 1 wherein between about 5 to about 50 ounces per square yard of the second coating composition is applied to the primary backing.

6. (Original) The method according to claim 1 wherein between about 24 and about 50 ounces per square yard of the first and second coating compositions combined are applied to the primary backing.

7. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1 wherein the ~~hot melt adhesive~~ comprises a coating composition comprise a hot melt composition containing a polyethylene, polypropylene, polyamide, polyvinyl chloride, ethylene vinyl acetate, polyester or copolymers thereof.

8. (Original) The method according to claim 1 wherein the second coating composition comprises an inorganic particulate filler.

9. (Original) The method according to claim 1 wherein the carpet is constructed entirely of recyclable polymer.

10. (Currently Amended) A method of making a carpet comprising the steps of:
providing a primary backing material having a front side and a back side,
tufting a yarn into the primary backing material to produce a carpet pile on the front side of the primary backing material and loops of the yarn on the back side of the primary backing material, and thereafter

slot-coating applying a layer of a ~~melted~~molten adhesive composition onto the back side

of the tufted primary backing material by pumping the molten adhesive composition through a slot die thereby fixing the loops of the yarn to the primary backing material.

11. (Currently Amended) A method of making a carpet comprising yarn attached to a primary backing material and securing the yarn to the backing, the method comprising applying to a back side of the primary backing material a ~~slot coating of a melted~~molten, fluid adhesive composition thereon~~by~~ pumping the molten adhesive composition through a slot die, thereby flexibly securing the yarn to and retaining it in the primary backing material.